

WAR WOULD NOT RESULT

If Algiers Conference Failed of Purpose

SAYS THE GERMAN GOVT.

But Matters Would Come Back to Point Where They Were When the Moroccan Conference Was Started.

Berlin, Feb. 5.—The foreign office today issued another statement to the effect that Germany does not intend to declare war against France in the event that the conference at Algiers ends unsatisfactorily from a German viewpoint, and Germany is convinced that France will not resort to war in case she is disappointed with the outcome of the conference. The failure of the conference would not disturb the peace of the world but would simply mean that matters would remain as before the congress met.

ACIDENT PROVED FATAL.

Lady Grey Died Yesterday, Had Been Thrown From Trap.

London, Feb. 5.—Lady Grey, wife of Sir Edward Grey, the foreign minister, who sustained concussion of the brain by being thrown from her trap at Eppingham, Northumberland last Thursday, died yesterday without having regained consciousness.

The untimely death of Lady Grey has brought to the new foreign minister many sincere messages of sympathy. Throughout the nation Lady Grey's devotion to her husband and her pride in his political career were well known and the announcement of her death as the result of an accident just when Sir Edward had reached the zenith of his ambitions struck a sympathetic chord which finds voice in the newspapers of all shades of political opinion.

King Edward on learning of the death of Lady Grey sent a kindly telegram to Sir Edward.

Lady Grey died in the room of a school house near which she was thrown from the trap. Sir Edward never left the side of her bed after the accident. His wife showed not the slightest glimmer of consciousness from the first.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Impressive Exercises Over the Body of King Christian.

Copenhagen, Feb. 5.—There was an impressive memorial service over the body of King Christian in the "Garden" room of the palace last night. All the members of the royal family were present, but otherwise the ceremony was strictly private.

Two centuries of the foot guard, wearing old-fashioned busbies, stand at the door. The coffin lies in the middle of the room, beneath the gaze of former Danish kings and queens, whose pictures line the red tapestried walls. It is covered with two Danish flags and lies amid banks of the rarest flowers and surrounded by wreaths, lilies, pink, white roses, violets, lilies of the valley and carnations.

The entire absence of black from the "garden" room is noteworthy. The whole grouping rather suggests the glorious crowning of an honored life.

WITHOUT APPARENT REASON.

General Orloff Began Bombardment of School House.

Riga, Feb. 5.—General Orloff, who was the Baltic provinces, arrived here yesterday. Without apparent reason, he at once proceeded to bombard the polytechnic school house. Many persons were killed or wounded by the firing.

GAS KILLS ONE.

And Second Man Is in a Precarious Condition.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 5.—The accidental inhaling of illuminating gas during Saturday night caused the death of an unknown man about 30 years old and rendered Eugene Curran, another occupant of the room, unconscious, at a boarding house on South street here during the night.

Curran has been a lodger at the house for some time, and when he returned late Saturday night he found a man lying in the room, unconscious, a stranger to the other occupants of the house. The discovery of the asphyxiation was made by another lodger. Both men were partially dressed when found.

The gas escaped from a loose elbow in the fixture. Curran had not regained consciousness and the identity of the companion who did not probably be known until he recovers. Curran's condition is dangerous.

ARRESTED ON SUSPICION.

Charged of Vagrancy But He May Be Wanted in Worcester, Mass.

New York, Feb. 5.—Frank Coszowski, 32 years of age, a hotel keeper of Massachusetts, was arrested last night by the police of Boston on a technical charge of vagrancy, the police declaring the prisoner is wanted by the authorities of Worcester, Mass., for alleged complicity in the partial destruction of the home of Paul Moszynski of 32 Union avenue, Worcester. The dynamite bombs made of galvanized iron pipe were exploded and the house in which Moszynski and his family were living was wrecked. The complaint and several other families lived at the time was seriously damaged. The prisoner claimed to have an interest amounting to \$500 in the house but there was some complication over the mortgage, whereupon the man now accused went to Worcester and demanded the return of \$300 cash which Moszynski states he was unable to pay. Coszowski is alleged to have departed making threats.

SHOT BY A BOARDER.

Michael Sullivan of South Groveland, Mass., Seriously Wounded.

South Groveland, Mass., Feb. 5.—Michael Sullivan, proprietor of a local boarding house, was shot and seriously wounded last night by Thomas Heffernan, a boarder. Sullivan was taken to the Hale hospital at Haverhill, where it was said that his condition was critical. After the shooting Heffernan went to Haverhill and gave himself up to the first policeman he met, saying that he had killed a man and wanted to be arrested.

According to the authorities, Sullivan and his wife were in the kitchen of the boarding house when Heffernan entered the room, and, without a word of warning, drew a revolver and shot Sullivan in the back, near the shoulders. Sullivan turned to grapple with his assailant and a second shot was fired, lodging in Sullivan's chest and shattering the shoulder bone. Sullivan's wife says that Heffernan fired a third shot, which did not hit Sullivan.

Heffernan told the Haverhill officers that there had been a long standing feud between Sullivan and himself and he knew that he would have to kill Sullivan in order to prevent being killed himself. He expressed no regret for his action.

Heffernan, who was employed in the South Groveland woolen mill, has been out of work for some time and his associates said last night that he had acted peculiarly and they considered him mentally unbalanced.

ONLY TWO PERSONS HURT.

But There Were a Number of Narrow Escapes.

New York, Feb. 5.—The six-story factory building at 107-117 Grand street, at the corner of Mercer street, in the heart of the silk and linen district, was burned yesterday with a loss exceeding \$250,000. Charles Schoolhouse & Sons, manufacturers of ribbons, suffered a loss of \$100,000, fully insured, and Bernhardt, Umann & Co., dealers in yarns, embroideries and braids, lost more than \$150,000, partly covered by insurance.

The fire was a spectacular one, flames bursting from all the windows within a few minutes after the first alarm was sounded. So many thousands of people were attracted to the scene that police reserves from eight downtown precincts had to be summoned. There were a number of narrow escapes but only two persons, a fireman and a policeman, were hurt, their injuries being slight.

Fifteen members of the insurance patrol squad were caught in the basement of the building by falling timbers soon after the fire started and were threatened with suffocation. With axes, however, they managed to chop a hole in the wall to an adjoining building and escaped.

PREPARING STRIKE ORDER.

To Send the Coal Miners Out on the First Day of April.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 5.—It was intimated at the international headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America yesterday that before the adjournment of the present session of the executive board Secretary W. B. Wilson will be instructed to prepare a formal strike order, effective on April 1, in order to avoid the reassembling of the board after the adjournment of the present session.

No meeting of the board was held Sunday. The question of the per capita tax of \$1 a week for the establishment of a national defense fund, which was informally discussed just before the adjournment of the board meeting Saturday evening, is expected to be the first subject taken up, when that body resumes its meeting today.

CHAMBERLAIN AND BALFOUR AT ODDS

Split in the Unionist Party Is Now Recognized and Has Caused a Great Discussion in English Politics.

London, Feb. 5.—That there is a split in the unionist party is recognized as an existing fact by the Unionist newspapers this morning. They say it is definitely known that Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain have agreed to disagree and that it is believed Mr. Chamberlain will withdraw from his adhesion to Mr. Balfour and organize a separate party on tariff reform. This it is admitted by the Standard, the Morning Post and other Unionist newspapers, will be the only course open to Mr. Chamberlain, unless indeed, Mr. Balfour decides to call a meeting of the party and allow its members to decide the question of leadership.

The whole situation forms the political sensation of the hour and nothing else is discussed in the political clubs. It was stated very emphatically yesterday that if Mr. Balfour would not agree to call a meeting of the party, former secretary of state for foreign affairs, Alva Douglas, would be appointed leader of the party and Mr. Balfour returned to parliament by the city of London.

There is still a remote chance of Walter Hume Long, former president of the local government board, being asked to accept the leadership under a compromise, but well informed persons say positively that Mr. Balfour will decline anything like a compromise while Mr. Chamberlain insists on standing for protection.

It is even intimated that the invitation to Mr. Balfour to stand for the seat for the city of London, resigned in his favor by Alban G. H. Gibbs, may be accepted by Mr. Balfour, but this is believed to be hardly likely.

The Liberals will decide today whether they will contest the seat for the city of London, and in view of the latest developments, there is a likelihood of Mr. Balfour having to fight for it.

Through the Rotten Ice.

Worcester, Mass., Feb. 5.—John C. Power, 11 years old, was drowned in Middle river yesterday afternoon while playing banders with some playmates on rotten ice.

BOILER BLOWN FOR 200 FEET

Explosion at Wilkes Barre, Pa. Today Killed One Man

AND WRECKED BUILDING

Fire Added Its Part to the Devastation—Man Killed Was the Only Person in the Mill at the Time.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Feb. 5.—One man was killed and property valued at \$10,000 was destroyed by the explosion of a large tubular boiler at Delahanty's machine shops at Pittston this morning. Hiram Davenport, the night watchman, who was the only man in the building, was instantly killed. The boiler was blown two hundred feet through the roof of the Alpin Shirt Mills. Residences and stores within a radius of five hundred feet were damaged and the windows were wrecked in all directions.

KNOTT & CLOSSON CASE.

Bankrupt Firm Has Not Been Discharged.

Burlington, Feb. 5.—Clerk George E. Johnson of the United States court received Saturday from Judge H. H. Wheeler of Brattleboro, a decision in the Knott & Closson bankruptcy case. The decision was on the report of Referee George W. Devereille, who recommended that the discharge from bankruptcy be not granted and was as follows: "Exceptions overruled, and report accepted; objections sustained and discharge denied."

The report of Referee Devereille was filed in the fall of 1902 but the hearing on the matter was not held until last week. The firm of Knott & Closson was adjudged bankrupt March 14, 1900, and John J. Enright was appointed trustee. Objections were filed opposing the discharge, the objecting creditors being represented by C. C. Fitts of Brattleboro.

ACCUSED TWO PEOPLE OF SHOOTING HIM

Isaac Bonnell of Nashua, N. H., First Said His Wife Did It, and Then A. L. Morrell, Her Manager.

Haverhill, Mass., Feb. 5.—While Isaac Bonnell of Nashua, N. H., lay on the floor of the apartment of his wife, Mrs. Ida Bonnell, a palm reader of this city, yesterday, bleeding from a bullet wound in the head, he accused first his wife and then A. L. Morrell, her manager, with shooting him. Bonnell is in a serious condition. Bonnell was looked up on a charge of assault with intent to kill. Morrell was held as a witness.

Mrs. Bonnell told the police that her husband fired at her first and showed an abrasion of her right arm, and a bullet hole through her sleeve. She declared that she then picked up a revolver and shot at him in self defense. Bonnell and his wife had been separated for some time.

LEAPED IN FRONT OF TRAIN.

Unidentified Man Committed Suicide in New York.

New York, Feb. 5.—An unidentified man, about 35 years of age, committed suicide last night by leaping in front of a rapidly moving electric railroad train at 63rd street and Second avenue. Death was almost instantaneous, the body being badly mutilated. The train which killed the man was stopped suddenly by the use of emergency brakes that the passengers were thrown in heaps on the floor. The train was crowded and something of a panic ensued. Rescuers of the East 67th street police station quieted the passengers.

OFFICERS IN CUSTODY.

Charged With Leaving Fort Ethan Allen Without Permit.

Burlington, Feb. 5.—First Lieut. Richard B. Goring and Second Lieut. Arthur J. Lynch, attached to the Fifteenth United States cavalry at Fort Ethan Allen, have been ordered confined to quarters by Lieut. Col. Alexander Rogers, the commanding officer at the post. Lieutenants Goring and Lynch are charged with being absent without leave. It is alleged that they came to this city Saturday night and did not return to the post until noon Sunday.

Both officers have previously been court martialled for breaches of military discipline and etiquette.

TWO ITALIANS QUARREL.

And One of Them May Not Recover from Stab Wounds.

Boston, Feb. 5.—Two Italians became involved in a quarrel in the north end last evening, which resulted in Pietro Pennacchio being taken to the relief hospital with deep cuts in the neck and bowels, while Emigiano Rinaldo was locked up on a charge of assault with intent to kill. Pennacchio's condition was reported as serious.

MANY BODIES FOUND.

In Ruins of Home for Aged at Rennes, France.

Rennes, Feb. 5.—All the buildings of the Home for the Aged in the Faubourg, Rennes, kept by the little sisters of the poor were destroyed by fire yesterday. Nine bodies have been found in the ruins. Three women died from fright. Chaplain Stenon while attempting to save the inmates of the home, fell and was seriously injured.

TRY TO BREAK WILL.

Three Appeals Over Will of Burr B. Capron of East Pittsford.

Rutland, Feb. 5.—It is expected that a will case of more than usual interest will be heard at the March term of the Rutland county court, when three appeals from the commissioners of the will of Burr E. Capron of East Pittsford, who died March 15, 1905, are considered. These appeals have just been filed with County Clerk A. Harman. They are made by Clara Engel Capron, an adopted daughter of the deceased, who claims that \$6,000 is due her, the administrator of Tabitha N. Gould, who asks for \$1,518.89, alleged to be due for services as housekeeper, and George C. Thrall of this city, who has filed a claim for \$1,127.81 in common counts.

Miss Capron who is about 16 years old, is a student at the Rutland high school. She was adopted by Capron in May, 1900, and claims that she was to become the man's sole heir. According to the will filed with the local probate court, she does not receive what she expected. It is understood that Burr Capron once made a will, leaving all his property to the adopted daughter, but later another document was drawn up.

The girl some time ago contested this will, and this, too, is pending in county court. She claims that the second will was made through "fraud, threats and the persuasion of one Mrs. Tabitha Gould."

The appraisers, Lawyer A. G. Coolidge and W. A. Clark of this city, only found property to the value of \$5,729 belonging to Capron.

VICTIM OF FOOTBALL DIED IN RUTLAND

Edward S. Larned, Aged 19 Years, Received a Bad Kick in Game Which Was Played Last Fall.

Rutland, Feb. 5.—Edward S. Larned, 19 years old, a member of a Rutland football team, died Saturday night as the result of an injury received during a football game played last fall. He was ground last fall. He played left tackle on his team and was a fearless player. In the midst of a scrimmage one of the opposing eleven kicked him viciously in the pit of the stomach. While the blow caused him momentary pain, no evil effects were felt until the following day, when he complained of soreness. Acute gastritis developed as a result, and despite the best of medical aid, the young man became worse and wasted away.

His case has been watched with much interest, for the intestines seemed to have become paralyzed as a result of the blow and could not perform their ordinary functions. Distressing only slight relief. During his illness the young man had many hemorrhages from the stomach.

The identity of the man who kicked Larned is not known, so that no action can be taken, but his death has cast a gloom upon the members of the eleven, some of whom assert that they will never engage in a football contest again. The young man was exceptionally popular and enthusiastic in all outdoor athletics.

He died at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Fred Burns, on Evelyn street.

GOT A \$1 VERDICT.

Randolph Law Suit Puts Out in Small Sum.

Randolph, Feb. 5.—In M. M. Wilson's office yesterday afternoon the case of Eugene Warden vs. Julius Bartiro to recover \$14.00 for repairs on a car and services rendered several years ago was tried before Justice of Peace William B. Nichols, and a jury composed of C. R. Granger, H. M. Gaylord, Lemuel Richmond, D. C. Woodward and John Mead. The testimony of various witnesses showed that the defendant had agreed to repair the car for the plaintiff. The case was given to the jury at five o'clock and in a few minutes the verdict was brought in that the defendant should receive one dollar damages and that plaintiff should pay the costs. The two men now intend to make a quiet settlement and drop the case. John Wilson, attorney for the plaintiff, and Fred Davis of Springfield for the defendant.

MISSTATED HIS AGE.

H. B. Hagar of Weybridge Arrested on That Charge and Held.

Rutland, Feb. 5.—Henry B. Hagar of Weybridge was arrested Saturday by Deputy United States Marshal E. S. Whitaker on the charge of misrepresenting his age in taking a civil service examination. Hagar is a native of Vermont. He was arraigned before Commissioner James A. Morrill of this city Saturday afternoon and was bound over in \$250 bail to appear before the federal grand jury at Burlington, February 27. He furnished bail. In his application Hagar gave his age as 32 years. The civil service examination requires that all candidates for the position of rural carrier, who have not served in the army or navy, shall be under 75 years of age. District Attorney J. L. Martin of Brattleboro, who made the complaint, claims that Hagar is older than this.

NO ONE SAW ACCIDENT.

But D. W. Drislane's Body Was Found Beside Track.

Bellows Falls, Feb. 5.—D. W. Drislane, aged 28, a brakeman on the Rutland railroad, was killed here Sunday. He was to go out on the paper train run to Rutland and having to throw a switch jumped on the brake beam of the engine. In some way he fell the engine passing over him, cutting off both legs and an arm. No one saw the accident and he was found later lying beside the rails and lived an hour. He was unmarried and has a mother living at North Walpole, N. H.

BACK IN MADRID.

King Alfonso Cheered as He Returned from Court.

Madrid, Feb. 5.—King Alfonso arrived at Madrid Saturday. He was greeted at the station by members of the royal family, cabinet ministers and a number of high officials. The crowds cheered the king as he drove to the palace.

BETTER RATES MAINTAINED

And in Some Instances Have Been Advanced

ABOUT ALLEGED MERGER

President Roosevelt Today Sent to the House of Representatives a Response of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The president today sent to the House a response of the interstate commerce commission to call for information regarding the alleged merger of the Pennsylvania and other roads. The document sets forth data concerning stockownership of the roads in question and says that the published rates of the several roads "have been better maintained and in some instances advanced" since the acquisition by the Pennsylvania Railroad company and that "there appears to be less competition in rates between these lines than was formerly the case."

THE DICKIE BOYS.

Now Making a Stage Out of Smoking Cars.

The Burlington Free Press says today: "Traveling salesmen coming to the city are discussing the case of Frank and John Dickie, the two Barre boys who left their home to roam the state singing. The boys at present are earning pennies by riding on the passenger trains between Montpelier and Waterbury. They travel in the smoking car, singing the latest melodies, and then the hat is passed. Drummers state that the boys tell all kinds of stories that are untrue. When they were in this city they slept in barns and went to Fort Ethan Allen, where they were connected with an escapade. If the boys are found on the streets in this city after the curfew sound they will be arrested by the police department. The authorities, in the opinion of men who are acquainted with the case, should take some action at once to see that the boys are given baths and sent to school. The drummers are also surprised that the railroad officials allow the boys to make a concert hall of the smoking cars."

BROCKEN LOCK ONLY DAMAGE.

At Fire Department Call on Saturday Evening.

The fire department was kept busy last week, it being called out the last time at 7:45 Saturday evening. The cause of the alarm, which was telephoned, was a chimney blaze in R. S. Currier's house in the rear of the Currier building on North Main street. The families who occupied the house were absent at the time and the firemen had to break into the building. The contents of a hand chemical were sufficient to extinguish the blaze. All the damage that was done was the breaking of the lock on the door when the firemen entered.

WOMAN THREW VITROL.

Invited Her Husband to See Her and Then Assaulted Him.

Saratoga, N. Y., Feb. 5.—Mrs. Jeannie Cosgrove, who for two years has not lived with her husband, James D. Cosgrove, of this place, arrived from Washington Saturday evening and registered at a hotel. At her written request Sunday morning the husband called at the room, and as he entered she hurled a bottle of vitrol at him. He was seriously injured. Mrs. Cosgrove was arrested for assault.

DIED CHASING FUGITIVES.

Pawtucket, R. I., Police Officer Stricken With Heart Failure.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 5.—While in pursuit of a man who had been put out in an electric car for boisterous conduct Sunday afternoon, Samuel W. Slocomb, a police officer for twenty-three years on the local force, was stricken with heart failure and died later upon being removed to his home. Officer Slocomb was 61 years old, and leaves a widow and two children.

Ice in Lake Champlain.

St. Albans, Feb. 5.—The ice in St. Albans bay is from six to seven inches thick, and Lake Champlain is again frozen over between Grand Isle and Cumberland Head. The temperature was two degrees above zero at this place this afternoon.

New Grange at East Berkshire.

East Berkshire, Feb. 5.—A grange to be known as Trout River Grange was organized here Saturday night with 41 charter members. The officers were installed by Dana H. Morse of Randolph and E. H. Fassett of Enosburgh Falls.

Unbidden Guest's Deed.

Mahany, Pa., Feb. 5.—Ignace Cichon, 20 years of age, was shot and killed, and Joseph Heyholz seriously wounded by John Senecal, 24 years of age, an unbidden guest at a wedding celebration, late Saturday night at Park place, near here. The shooting was the result of a former quarrel. Senecal is in jail.

Discretion.

"Why did you insist on only \$99,000 a year as your salary?" "Because," answered the high financial officer, "as soon as people hear a hundred thousand mentioned they get suspicious. It is better to keep the figure marked down a little."—Washington Star.

LILLIAN (McDONALD) CARSON.

Death of Young Mother of Tuberculosis Yesterday Afternoon.

Mrs. Lillian (McDonald) Carson, wife of John H. Carson of Central street, died early Sunday morning of tuberculosis. Mrs. Carson was born in 1870, 30 years of age the 24th of April. She has been ill about six months but has been confined to her bed only since the first of December.

Mrs. Carson was born in Winslow, P. Q., but had lived in this place for 15 years, coming here as a young girl. Five years ago she married John H. Carson, a stone cutter employed at Hoyt & Lehouveau's. She leaves a little son, three years of age, and a baby, seven months old, besides her husband, mother and several brothers and sisters. Her mother is Mrs. A. N. McDonald of Thompson place, and her sisters are Mrs. George Rinden, Mrs. Annie Calder, Miss Lena McDonald and Miss Margaret McDonald. Her brothers are George and John McDonald of Baldwin Mills, P. Q.

The funeral will be held from the house at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon, the Rev. R. F. Lowe of the Methodist church officiating. The interment will be in Hope cemetery.

Mrs. Charles Poole.

Sarah K., wife of Charles Poole, died at her late home in West Topsham of cancer of the stomach, Monday morning at 7 o'clock, January 29. Funeral services were held at the house Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, Jan. 31. The Rev. Lewis Dexter officiating, burial being in the West Topsham cemetery in the family lot.

Mrs. Poole was born in Orange, May 2, 1834, and was married to Charles Poole June 1, 1850. There remains to mourn her demise a husband, three children, three sisters and one brother. Of the children are Mrs. Wallace E. Poole of Milford, N. H., Edward C. Poole of West Topsham and William E. Poole of Montpelier. The sisters are Mrs. Charles Beede of Barre town, Mrs. A. R. Thurston of West Topsham and Mrs. Diantha Sargent of Rochester, Mass., and the brother, John Wilds of West Topsham.

Ransom Post and W. R. C. attended the funeral in a body and acted as escort to the grave. The services were largely attended, in testimony of the high esteem in which the deceased was held.

A. A. PEARSON'S FUNERAL.

Held from Residence on Elmore Street Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral services of the late Almon A. Pearson were held from the home of Mrs. Pearson on Elmore street yesterday afternoon at 2:30. The Rev. F. A. Poole officiated, assisted by the Rev. R. F. Lowe. The house was filled with friends and relatives of the deceased and his family. Mr. Pearson in his long residence here had made a great many friends, as was testified to by the many beautiful floral tributes.

The body was taken to West Topsham this morning, accompanied by Mrs. Pearson and her nieces. A short prayer service was held from the church in that place this afternoon, the Rev. Louis Dexter officiating. The interment will be in the West Topsham cemetery.

FROM BAPTIST CHURCH.

Funeral of Prentiss A. Thompson Was Held Yesterday.

The funeral of the late Prentiss A. Thompson was held from the Baptist church yesterday afternoon at 2:30. The Rev. W. A. Kinsie officiating. A large delegation from the Granite Cutters' union was in attendance. The interment was in Hope cemetery and the pall bearers were William B. Williams, William Taylor, Wm. Turner, Thomas Watts, Albert Jones, Bennett Julian.

FITTS HEARING THURSDAY.

Commission Will Meet in Brattleboro—Gale's Affidavit Ruled Out.

Montpelier, Feb. 5.—Col. A. A. Hall of St. Albans, chairman of the commission appointed to take testimony in the case against Attorney General C. C. Fitts, has called the members of the commission to meet at Brattleboro, on Thursday morning, February 9, at nine o'clock.

MARRIED IN MONTEPELIER.

Miss Jane Cruickshank Is the Bride of George Carbo.

Miss Jane Cruickshank of Barre and George Carbo of Montpelier were united in marriage Saturday evening by the Rev. J. Edward Wright at the home of the officiating clergyman in Montpelier. The bride has been employed at the Hotel Northern in this city.

Mrs. Wiggs in Barre.

"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," by Alice Caldwell Hegan. The reading public has grown familiar in the past few years with "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," a book which portrays something of the darker side of life in the large cities, but which Mrs. Wiggs continually brightens by her peculiar views of things. The story has been arranged for stage representation and will be given under the auspices of the Ladies' union in the vestry of the Universalist church, Thursday and Friday, Feb. 15 and 16, with the following cast: Mrs. Wiggs, Blanche Tilden. Robert Reddy, Dr. F. M. Lynde. Lucy Alcott, Alice Blanchard. Miss Hazy, Mrs. Alice Lynde. Asla, Carrie Draper. Australia, Ellen Smith. Europe, Gertrude Clayton. Billy, Roland Preston. It will be interspersed with instrumental and vocal music, as follows: Piano, solo, Mrs. Ella Sargent. Reading, Mrs. Jennie Dix. Vocal solo, Mrs. Clara Lamb. Vocal solo, William Sheridan. Reading, Mrs. Stella Averill. Vocal duet, Mrs. Clara Lamb and Lewis Griffiths.

They will be assisted by the mandolin club of 7 pieces: 1st mandolins, Alvah Eastman, Mrs. C. A. Lang; 2nd mandolins, Lewis Labell, Mrs. Lillian Watts; mandolins, Dr. D. C. Waite; guitar, Mrs. Ida Eastman, Miss Alice Lazelle. Admission 20 cents.

CRITICISM REPLIED TO

By Secretary Ironside of Barre Central Labor Union.

IN POLITICAL ACTIVITY.

He Justifies Meeting of Friday Night by the Constitution of Organization and Denounces the Ballot Box "Scab."

The action of the Central Labor Union of Barre in calling the mass meeting of Friday evening to consider the naming of candidates for city offices has been criticised more or less severely by some members of labor unions in town, and their criticism has called forth a vigorous defense of the C. L. U.'s action from its secretary, Alexander Ironside. He refers to the ballot box "scab" who helps to defeat his own side and declares that he is worse than the industrial "scab" and denounces him in strong terms. Secretary Ironside quotes from the constitution of the Central Labor Union of Barre and vicinity for their action in calling a mass meeting of the workmen and especially their fellow trade unionists to consider the advisability of running their own members for the various city offices in the following election. Speaking from a Socialist standpoint, it would seem that the chief growl is against the introduction of what the "pure and simple" type of trades unionists term politics in our city affairs.

That such is not the case, however, can be at once seen by the action taken at the mass meeting, when a committee was appointed to bring forward at a future meeting a list of candidates for all city offices; these candidates, if accepted, to be nominated in the regular city caucus. That this method has been pursued in the past by the friends of the twaddle-dee and twaddle-dum goes without saying. But woe to the workmen who have the courage of their convictions in adopting a line of procedure which must sooner or later be carried into effect. The most pitiful part is that the jealousy of the working class for one another is today and has been throughout the ages the stumbling block to their own emancipation.

The constitution of the Central Labor Union is quite definite and covers